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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Continuing Developments Regarding Civil Service Legislation

- 1. The undersigned spoke with Pat Swygert, General Counsel, Civil Service Commission, regarding Civil Service Reform Legislation. He informed me that he had not yet received our floor colloquy, proposed floor amendments and report language. I have forwarded another copy.
- 2. Mr. Swygert advised that Si Lazarus, who is on the Domestic Policy Staff, Office of the Vice President, would herein out be the focal point for our continuing problems with the legislation. In this regard, I asked Mr. Swygert if he would ensure that Mr. Lazarus has a copy of the above mentioned CIA provided material. He agreed to deliver the material this afternoon when he and Lazarus meet to discuss Senate strategy.
- 3. The White House believes that the Senate version may reach the floor either tomorrow or Friday and therefore all attention is now focused solely on the Senate bill, with which we have no problems.
- 4. We will, however, contact Lazarus' office tomorrow morning in an effort to arrange for a strategy meeting later this week or, at the very latest, this coming Monday, 14 August 1978. Failing in that, we will seek our own sponsors for both the floor colloquy on the reach of the Special Counsel and the several technical amendments. In this regard we will select a ranking House Republican for the colloquy, hopefully utilizing Representative Morris K. Udall (D., Ariz.), of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, in making the desired response.

Assistant Legislative Counsel

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